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Road death stats 'unacceptable'

PEDESTRIANS

Latest victim is 34th killed in Toronto this year

Jessica Smith Cross
Metro | Toronto

Pedestrians have accounted for 59 per cent of Toronto road deaths this year, a big increase compared to the recent past.

The latest victim — a 22-year-old woman hit by a tanker truck as it was turning at Eglinton and Bathurst on Friday morning — pushed the death toll to 34. Police have not said if the driver of the truck, which hit the woman in a crosswalk, will face charges.

Pedestrian deaths have jumped 90 per cent this year compared to 2011, considered a low point with 18 pedestrians killed in a total of 35 road deaths, Toronto police Const. Hugh Smith said.

The numbers are staggering. Between Jan. 1 and Oct. 31 this year, 1,513 pedestrians were hit, Smith said. In the last four weeks alone, four pedestrians have been killed.

The trend helped prompt a police-led public awareness campaign called Do the Bright Thing, encouraging pedestrians to do what they can to be visible.

"We have to put ourselves in the position to be seen," Smith said.

Meanwhile, a coalition of Toronto activists is running its own campaign calling for increased penalties for people who hit vulnerable road users like pedestrians, cyclists and people using mobility devices.

"It's unacceptable what's happening on our roads," said Albert Koehl, a lawyer who volunteers with the coalition.

More than 100 pedestrians have been killed in the last three years, he said.

Asked how many pedestrian crashes have resulted in charges this year, Smith told Metro the information wasn't immediately available. Despite repeated requests, police also have not been able detail charges laid after more than a dozen people were hit during a rainy morning commute on Oct. 28.

Not knowing makes it harder for community members and leaders to work toward preventing more deaths, Koehl said.

"When someone dies on the road, you'll get the media report, you'll get the police report, and that's the end of it," he said.

A memorial for a 22-year-old woman killed Friday, seen at Bathurst Street and Eglinton Avenue Sunday. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

HEAVY TRUCKS

There's an easy way to prevent many pedestrians and cyclists from being killed by heavy trucks, but Canadian governments have been passing the buck instead of passing a law, say road safety advocates in Toronto.

Patrick Brown and Albert Koehl, both lawyers, are calling for a law making side guards mandatory on all trucks.

Side guards prevent pedestrians and cyclists from winding up under the wheels or caught in the undercarriage if they are hit by a truck as it's turning.

Toronto doesn't have to wait for a federal law, Brown said. The city could pass a bylaw that would restrict heavy trucks without side guards from using its roads.

The city should take the lead on the issue, he argued, because turning trucks are particularly dangerous in urban areas. Koehl said there's evidence lives could be saved, pointing to an Ontario coroner's review of 11 deaths.

"In almost half of these, the pedestrian came into contact with the side of the truck. Side guards on heavy trucks may prevent pedestrians from falling under these vehicles," the report said.

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‘From Canada with love’: Painting a message in Paris

Baboons, both in the wild and at zoos, have societies that are run by females.
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TORONTO ZOO

A vicious fight for power

After the matriarch died last year, a vicious battle for her throne erupted among the female baboons at the Toronto Zoo that endured for months, prompting a brief closure of the exhibit and providing a fascinating glimpse into the animals’ behaviour.

Medical records show numerous injuries among five of the six female olive baboons, from deep lacerations near their eyes to hair ripped out and tail injuries. At least two required surgeries to close deep gashes.

The exhibit was closed for several days because “there were some injuries that we thought best to keep them at the back because our visiting public don’t know baboon behaviour,” said Maria Franke, the curator of mammals at the zoo.

Chris Dutton, the zoo’s senior veterinarian, said two females now sit on the throne in an uncomfortable truce, with the rightful heir biding her time until the older one dies.
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ART

Local street artist heads to France to find his new canvas

Chris Bateman
For Metro | Toronto

A Toronto artist is delivering sparkly messages of peace and solidarity to the streets of Paris in the aftermath of this month’s terrorist attacks.

Victor Fraser, known for painting poppies near the Cenotaph on Remembrance Day and numerous other works of temporary street art, traded with a client for an airline ticket to Paris.

“It just sent chills through me,” he said. “I think artists should converge on Paris and un-terrorize the city with music, and laughter and art, and put that back into the city. As an artist, that’s what I understand my job to be in society.”

Fraser said his accommodation and some of his materials have also been generously donated.

Some of his art “might just say ‘from Canada with love’ or ‘strength to freedom,” Fraser said.

But, he’s also looking for some “Parisian influence.”

Artists should converge on Paris and un-terrorize the city with music and laughter and art.
Victor Fraser
MEAN PEOPLE SUCK

Victor Fraser is well known for his sidewalk and street art in Toronto. NICK KOZAK/FOR TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

“I’m not going to be arrogant enough to just do what I want to do. I’m looking for inspiration and influence from my friends who are there already,” Fraser said.

The only thing that’s essential is dry weather. The temporary tempera and chalk paints won’t adhere to wet ground, and his return flight is scheduled for early next week.

The work may be some of Fraser’s last for a while.

The artist has ankylosing spondylitis, a type of chronic arthritis that affects the spine and causes debilitating pain. He’s launched a GoFundMe page under the name WhatsVictorUpTo to help cover the cost of taking a rest.

“The arthritis has been going at me for 20-something years,” he said. “My body’s hurting and I need to stop doing so much. I’m looking to make $15,000 so I can take a break and heal.”

One of many works Victor Fraser has created on the streets of Paris. CONTRIBUTED

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Food banks seeing rise in single people

SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

Fewer users recorded, but 10,000 more visits overall

When the province's food bank association met recently to discuss the latest research on who is going hungry in Ontario, executive Doug Smith suddenly piped up.

"I can relate," he told his colleagues. "That's my own mother."

Ontario has seen the highest number on record of single people accessing the service according to the Ontario Association of Food Banks' 2015 report, and a 35 per cent jump in the number of senior citizens visiting food banks over the past year.

The report singles out three main factors in the province's food security problem: the rise of precarious employment, the soaring cost of living, and insufficient social support programs.

Shirley Smith says she would be "out on the street" without family help. J.P. MOCZULSKI/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

While the number of individual food bank users is slightly down, from 375,000 in March 2014 to 358,963 in March 2015, there was a total of 10,000 more overall visits to food banks this year. The research also highlights the plight of single Ontarians of all ages, who now make up half of all food bank users in the province.

OAFB executive director Sharon Lee says much of that shift can be attributed to the changing nature of work in the province.

"If you're only contract or you don't have stable job security, it's very hard to figure out how you're going to manage your weekly expenses. And if you're a single person it's not like you have anyone else to share expenses," she said.

Doug's mom, Shirley, says she feels lucky to have narrowly escaped the trend: She's never used a food bank, but after her husband passed away, she said, she would have been "out on the street" without the financial support of her six children.

For her, it's a case of a meagre pension stretched too thin. She receives just $106 a month for her 25 years of service as an Eaton's inventory clerk.

The report notes that single seniors in Ontario receiving the maximum government allowances will live on just $1342.78 a month, leaving them "increasingly vulnerable to falling into poverty."

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HERITAGE

Marketing initiative could bump legacy

Pity poor John McMurrich. Once the talk of the town, McMurrich's legacy could soon take a blow, depending on how the council in a rural township northwest of Huntsville votes.

The McMurrich/Monteith Township council is considering changing its name to the Municipality of Sprucedale, after a small town on its northeast corner.

Township Reeve Joanne Griffiths said the idea is to make the name of the township more recognizable.

"Many people don't really know where the township . . . is. But people are more aware of where Sprucedale is," Griffiths said.

Sprucedale is relatively well-known snowmobile and ATV trails. That name recognition could help the area attract more tourists, Griffiths said.

The reason that specific area is partly named after McMurrich is a mystery. As far as Michael McMurrich, John's great-great-grandson, knows, the elder McMurrich never stepped foot into the area that carries his name.

John McMurrich CONTRIBUTED

"I doubt it," said Michael McMurrich, a 77-year-old private investor.

John McMurrich came to Canada from Scotland in 1833 and worked for a dry goods firm in Toronto, eventually becoming a partner and leading the Canadian side of the business. After Confederation, he served as the first MPP for York North. When he died in 1883, he left a large legacy, one the present-day McMurrich said should be enough for a township.

"They should name it McMurrich . . . he was a great contributor to the early days of Toronto and Ontario," he said.

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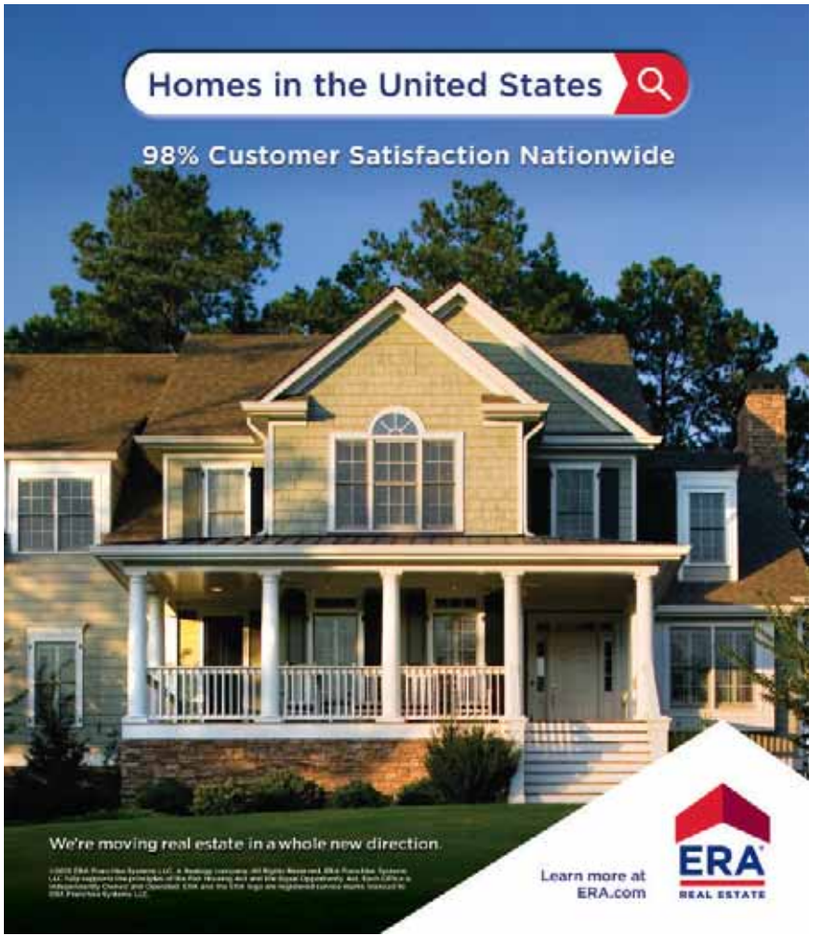
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Writers aim for happy ending

Gilbert Ngabo
Metro | Toronto

Jackleen Salam left her home in Syria 20 years ago, and headed to Canada in search of a more open society, where she has flourished as a poet and writer.

Now an accomplished author, Salam recalls encountering censorship in Syria, but said her struggles pale in comparison to the violence now ravaging her home country.

"There was always a lot of censorship and oppression, but nothing like this," she said.

Salam's parents are still living in Al-Malikiyah, a Syrian town near the border with Turkey. She knows they fear for their lives every single moment, but said they won't tell her directly.

"It is so sad," she said. "They are helpless, and I'm helpless too. I can feel their pain but I can't help them."

Jackleen Salam is part of a coalition of local writers and journalists raising money for Lifeline Syria. CONTRIBUTED

Salam has partnered with dozens other Toronto writers to drum up some help. A literary soiree this Friday will collect funds to support Lifeline Syria, a Toronto-based project aiding private sponsors bringing Syrian refugees to the city.

The event will be held at Friends House in The Annex (60 Lowther Ave.) and will bring together performers, poets, journalists and novelists. There will be a silent auction featuring books, plays and other items.

The evening may not raise the estimated $25,000 needed to sponsor a family, but it's better than doing nothing in the face of such a vast humanitarian catastrophe, said organizer Vivien Fellegi.

"After the Alan Kurdi photo, part of me was amazed at how many of us kept on going as if nothing has happened," said Fellegi, a local journalist whose own parents escaped from Hungary and settled in Canada as refugees in 1956.

As for Salam, the event is a reminder to be hopeful for the future of her country – and her parents.

"My utmost prayer is just to see them again," she said.

CRIME

Man wounded by gunshot
A man was rushed to a trauma centre in life-threatening condition Sunday morning, after gunshots were heard at a North York apartment building.

Toronto police were called to 20 Falstaff Ave., near Jane Street and Highway 401, at 5:28 a.m.

A man was found with a single bullet wound to his upper body. He was in life-threatening condition at the time; police later said his condition was upgraded to stable and he was expected to survive.

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T.O.'s record-breaking drag queen

MICHELLE DUBARRY

Guinness cites vivacious act as oldest ever

As she twirls around a stage belting out Doris Day lyrics, you'd never guess Michelle DuBarry is 84. But along with her birthday this week came the title of World's Oldest Performing Drag Queen.

"It's quite an honour," says Russell Alldread via his alter ego DuBarry, adding that longevity is the biggest prize. "I wake up and count my blessings because I'm very, very lucky. I'm very healthy. I've lost pretty well all my special friends now. They've all died on me."

Russell Alldread dressed in drag before he knew what the word meant, before RuPaul and before Toronto's gay community could surface.

"It was all underground," said Alldread, who moved to Toronto in the 1950s to perform in theatre and ballet, mostly dressing as a woman and in defiance of police.

Michelle DuBarry TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Alldread, whose whole family has been supportive, recalls first dressing up as a girl and joining his sisters to sing to women's groups or to the hospital at Christmas.

When he moved to Toronto, he started doing underground dress-up.

"We got raided by the police because we had women's underwear on, and it was illegal then," says Alldread. "Then I got invited down to 511; it was like a downstairs nightclub idea — very theatrical, very wonderful shows.

"We played shows to straight men, and there weren't a lot of people that were out, and we sort of let them come out."

Alldread travelled for a decade with his group the Great Imposters, and later used the Michelle DuBarry act to help raise money for charity.

Alldread says today there aren't so many ensemble shows — more individual drag queens.

"And their makeup is sort of weirder, to me, now. They do extreme eyebrows, and extreme lashes and everything extreme. In my time, we tried to look very real."

Alldread is still keeping it real.

"It's your attitude at living every day, I think, that counts. I'm an old drag queen, but I'm still very young."

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Humans of Toronto by K. Omar

"In elementary school, I was bullied a lot. It wasn't necessarily the hardest thing coping with being bullied. The hardest thing was standing up against the bully and becoming more passionate with all my arts, talents and myself.

Just becoming who I really am and not focusing on how I look in the bully's eyes, but in my heart, in my mom and dad's eyes. That was really hard to overcome, all my fears and insecurities, but I did.

Humans of Toronto is K. Omar's social photography project aimed at photographing and talking to people in the city. Selections from her work feature weekly in Metro. See more at Humans_of_Toronto on Instagram.

BALLET

It be-hooves mayor to dance for cause

Mayor John Tory laced up his dancing shoes Sunday, appearing in Ballet Jorgen Canada's production of the Nutcracker.

Choreographed by the company's artistic director, Bengt Jorgen, the ballet puts a Canadian twist on the Christmas classic.

Backdrops feature blown-up landscape paintings by 20th-century greats like Franklin Carmichael and Tom Thomson, and the cast includes lumberjacks, Mounties and woodland creatures. Enter Mayor Tory in a moose costume.

"I'm reasonably confident, though suitably apprehensive," Tory said, in costume.

Tory hopes his appearance gives Ballet Jorgen a boost. Established in 1987, the company plays to 50,000 people across the country annually.

"It performs this wonderful cultural and social purpose … to expose young people and especially in some of the neighbourhoods where they'd be less likely to see Canadian talent and Canadian dance."

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FOR PARIS DIGNITARIES PAY RESPECTS Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard (left to right), Montreal Mayor Denis Coderre, Mayor of Paris Anne Hidalgo, French Prime Minister Manuel Valls, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau with his wife Sophie Gregoire-Trudeau, and Canadian Ambassador to France Lawrence Cannon visit a memorial Sunday in Paris outside the Bataclan Cafe, one of the sites of the Nov. 13 terrorist attacks. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

President, PM talk security

MILITARY

Trudeau affirms solidarity in terrorist fight

French President Francois Hollande appeared to give his blessing to Canada's proposed withdrawal of its fighter jets from the bombing campaign against Islamic militants after meeting Prime Minister Justin Trudeau on Sunday at the Elysee Palace.

The fight against the Islamic State in Syria and the Levant (ISIL), has taken on new urgency in France after terrorists claiming to be inspired by the movement killed 130 people earlier this month in Paris in seven co-ordinated attacks.

Hollande has been travelling the world drumming up support for a massive military response, including more air strikes by more countries, at exactly the same time Trudeau's government says it will remove Canada's six CF18s from Iraq and Syria and step up military training instead.

Hollande said he and Trudeau had spoken about security, the battle against radicalism and diplomacy.

"But we also have to act militarily," said Hollande, adding Trudeau has affirmed Canada's solidarity in the global fight and that each country should contribute "within their own means."

Trudeau said Saturday the shadow of the Paris attacks has made world leaders eager to show up in solidarity at the Paris climate talks that begin Monday, and he was optimistic of a positive outcome despite the absence of credible emissions-cutting plans to stop global warming.

Foreign Affairs Minister Stephane Dion and Catherine McKenna, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, held a news conference Sunday in Paris at the government-run Canada Cultural Centre where the Canadian optimism briefly foundered on the question of whether a Paris climate deal will be legally binding.

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IMMIGRATION

Ministers hear of refugees' struggle at Jordan camp

The World Food Program ran out of money last fall to help feed 80,000 people who live at Zaatari, a refugee camp in Jordan near the Syrian border that was set up in the early days of Syria's civil war.

Without the prepaid MasterCards with the $28 US per person, per month, to buy food at the two official supermarkets in camp, people pulled their children out of school so they could work for grocery money and rates of child marriage rose as a way for families to provide for their daughters.

An influx of cash from international donors — Canada among them — helped alleviate the immediate crisis, a delegation of federal cabinet ministers heard Sunday from WFP and UNICEF officials.

Authorities screen a family of Syrian refugees for potential passage to Canada in Amman on Sunday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Immigration Minister John McCallum, Health Minister Jane Philpott and Defence Minister Harjit Sajjan were on a one-day visit to Jordan, one of the three countries from which Canada is now in the process of selecting 25,000 Syrian refugees for resettlement in Canada over the coming months.

The program includes $100 million in aid money, too, some of it going to programs like food assistance to help forestall another such emergency.

The reality is most of the refugees Canada will take in between now and the end of February are unlikely to come from Zaatari or camps elsewhere, but from cities and towns. But that hasn't stopped the residents of the camps from hoping they'll get a spot.

"Canadians in Zaatari. Are there good news about resettlement for Zaatari people?" asked one resident, in a tweet to camp manager Hovig Etyemezian, which he read aloud.

"We certainly hope so," said McCallum. "That's why we're here." THE CANADIAN PRESS

WORKLOAD

Canada opens processing centre in Jordan

An immigration official who briefed the ministers suggested that while Canada's processing centre in Amman aims to process 500 people daily, the workload will be a challenge. THE CANADIAN PRESS

LOAN PROGRAM

Incoming Syrians won't have to repay

While the federal government ramps up efforts to take in thousands of Syrian refugees, Ottawa has confirmed it will not ask displaced migrants from the war-torn country to pay back the cost of bringing them to Canada.

Normally, if refugees can't afford the transportation or medical screening to come to Canada, they are offered a loan under the federal immigration loans program, and are required to pay it back with interest. According to the Canadian Council for Refugees, the loans can be up to $10,000 per family.

Line Patry, a spokeswoman for Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship said the government had decided to waive the loans for incoming Syrian refugees because the humanitarian situation in that country is so dire.

Patry did not say how much forgoing the loans would cost the government.

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POLITICS

Overhaul to include gender-parity goal

The federal Liberals say they plan to extend a vow of gender parity in cabinet to ensure the same outcome in appointments the government makes to boards, agencies and Crown corporations. The party has promised to create an outside body to recommend senators, a model similar to one used in Britain for government-wide appointments to boards and agencies made by cabinet and ministers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Global rallies call for climate action

ENVIRONMENT

French police fire tear gas as protests rage on in Paris

Hundreds of thousands of people have taken part in rallies around the world on Sunday, calling on leaders to halt climate change on the eve of a major conference in Paris.

Violence quickly erupted between French riot police and a group of several hundred at a major square in Paris that was the site of a peaceful demonstration earlier. Police fired tear gas to disperse protesters throwing projectiles.

An organizer of the rallies, Avaaz, said that early estimates of marchers around the globe show 570,000 people marched in 175 countries.

Here are some of the rallies that took place in Europe on Sunday:

Thousands of demonstrators gathered in central Paris and formed a human chain along the route of a long-planned protest march that was banned by the French government in a security crackdown following the Nov. 13 Paris attacks. Nearby, thousands of shoes, some decorated, were placed at the Place de la Republique to symbolize the many feet that could not march because of the ban.

Paris police chief Michel Cadot said that a group of 200 or 300 people violated a ban on protests under the country's state of emergency. Cadot said that the group lobbed glass bottles and other projectiles, including candles set out in homage to the victims of the extremist attacks.

Thousands of people marched through London, urging world leaders not to blow their chance to take strong action on climate change.

Actress Emma Thompson, designer Vivienne Westwood and Labour Party leader Jeremy Corbyn are among demonstrators urging politicians to strike a binding agreement at climate talks in Paris.

About 4,000 people held a rally in the German capital, marching from Berlin's train station to the Brandenburg Gate to listen to speeches and music. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ARRESTS

French Interior Minister Bernard Cazeneuve said 174 people in Paris were jailed for possible charges. He said, separately, that 26 people have been placed under house arrest, stressing they weren't militants but people known for violence in the past. Some protesters chanted "a state of emergency is a police state."

1 Frankfurt, Germany — A woman wears a gas mask during a protest rally to promote climate protection on Sunday. FRANK RUMPENHORST/DPA VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

2 Toronto, Canada — Hundreds of people descended upon Queen's Park Sunday to participate in a call to action on climate change leading up to the Paris summit. LIZ BEDDALL/METRO

3 Paris, France — Police fight with activists during a protest ahead of the 2015 Paris Climate Conference at the place de la Republique. LAURENT CIPRIANI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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COLORADO SPRINGS

'Madman' guns down health clinic

Robert Lewis Dear, the suspected gunman in a deadly shooting at a women's health clinic that offers abortions, said "no more baby parts" after his arrest, a law enforcement official said.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity, not authorized to speak publicly about the investigation.

Police said they will not disclose why the gunman opened fire at the Planned Parenthood clinic, killing three people. Colorado Springs police said in a statement they are sealing the warrants related to the case against 57-year-old Robert Lewis Dear. They are not providing information on the weapon used.

Dear is expected to make his first court appearance Monday.

Planned Parenthood, a national organization, has cited witnesses as saying the gunman was motivated by his opposition to abortion, one of America's most sensitive issues.

Anti-abortion activists, part of a group called the Center for Medical Progress, denounced the "barbaric killing spree in Colorado Springs by a violent madman" and offered prayers for the dead and wounded and for their families.

The Planned Parenthood clinic has long been the site of anti-abortion protests, but a Roman Catholic priest who has held weekly Mass in front of it for 20 years said Dear wasn't part of his group. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mourners attend a vigil held on Sunday at the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs' campus for those killed in **Friday's deadly shooting at a Planned Parenthood clinic in Colorado.** CHRISTIAN MURDOCK/THE GAZETTE VIA THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Turkey, EU seal new deal

European Union leaders and the Turkish prime minister sealed a joint summit with a commitment to re-energize Turkey's long-stalled membership talks and bolster their common resolve to deal with the Syrian refugee crisis.

On Sunday, it was hugs all around as European Council President Donald Tusk and Prime Minister Ahmet Davutoglu completed what they called a breakthrough summit to put relations on an even keel again. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Airstrikes kill at least 18 people in Syria

Airstrikes believed to have been carried out by Russian warplanes killed at least 18 civilians and wounded dozens more on Sunday in a northern Syrian town held by insurgents, Syrian opposition media reported.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights said the airstrikes struck the town of Ariha, killing at least four children and wounding dozens more. The Observatory said three buildings were destroyed in the chaos. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Clean-tech fix eyed for warming woes

CLIMATE CHANGE

Gates sparks plan to spend billions on low carbon energy

Government and business leaders are banking on clean energy technology to fight global warming, kicking off this week's high-stakes climate change negotiations in Paris by pledging tens of billions of dollars for research and development.

Microsoft founder and philanthropist Bill Gates, U.S. President Barack Obama and French President Francois Hollande will announce the new initiative on Monday, committing to spend tens of billions of dollars for a technological fix to the planet's climate woes, three current and former officials have said.

"It brings a new kind of burst of energy into the conference right at the beginning on something very important," said Jennifer Morgan, global climate director for the World Resources Institute.

The "ambitious" effort to develop clean energies initially involves eight countries — France, the U.S., India, South Korea, Saudi Arabia, Australia, Canada and Norway — according to a French official. These countries would pledge to double their spending on low or no-carbon energy, according to an early version of a document.

The money would focus on research and development of technologies such as energy storage, which could make better use of clean power from wind and solar regardless of the vagaries of weather.

Led by Gates, about 20 private business leaders have signed on to the initiative, making their pledges conditional on governments also pledging more money, said a former U.S. government official who is familiar with the plan.

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NOT ENOUGH

Ban Ki-moon suggests reviews every five years

UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon says governments' pledges to cut global warming emissions aren't enough and should be reviewed before 2020.

He endorsed plans for reviewing targets every five years.

More than 180 countries have submitted climate action plans before the UN climate summit in Paris, including pledges to cut or rein in heat-trapping greenhouse gas emissions after 2020, when the new deal is supposed to take effect. But scientific analyses show that even if those plans are implemented man-made warming is likely to reach almost 3 Celsius, which is beyond the 2-Celsius goal of the talks.

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HOG-TIED TRIBUNE COUNTY RUNNING OUT OF WATER A pig looks out of its pen at Seabord Foods' Ladder Creek operation near Tribune, Kan. With the water source under the flat, arid prairie nearly exhausted after decades of overuse, county residents narrowly voted five years ago to allow corporate hog-feeding operations to move in to replace failing crop farms, but the company is pumping wells that had been idle for a decade, and environmentalists and some residents are worried that instead of preserving the remaining water, the county will be a desert once the hogs and the water are long gone. CHARLIE RIEDEL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

IN BRIEF

Black Friday store sales fall as shoppers go online

Black Friday shopping is shifting from hours spent in line to more time online. Sales at retail stores on Black Friday fell to $10.4 billion US this year, down from $11.6 billion US in 2014, according to research firm ShopperTrak.

A big reason for the declines is increased online shopping, as Americans hunt down deals on their smartphones, tablets and computers. Another key factor: Many retailers are offering bargains long before Thanksgiving.

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Big banks expected to focus on cost cutting

Grappling with a perfect storm of economic and operating challenges, Canada's biggest banks are expected to emphasize their efforts to rein in costs as they report their fourth-quarter earnings this week. Analysts will be looking for signs of cracks stemming from continued low oil prices on the banks' loan books.

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metro VIEWS

Your essential daily news

Monday, November 30, 2015

Off the hook
A new study shows mobile phone use is a good predictor of socioeconomic status in developing countries where a census isn't practical.

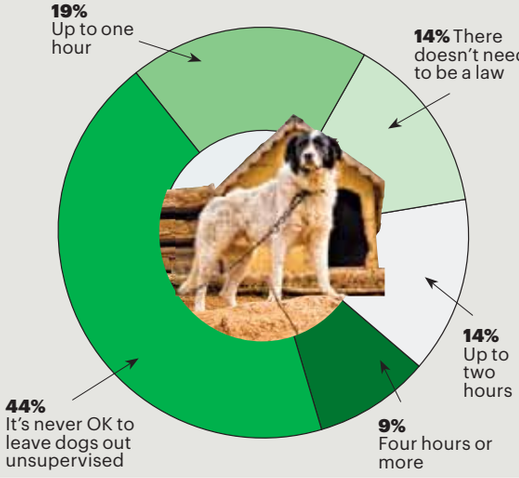
Metro MONDAY POLL

The leash you can do

Visit metronews.ca **every Friday to have your say.**

How long you can tie up Toto could soon be a matter for the law. Dog tethering bylaws are being introduced in many communities, as animal welfare advocates try to stop a practice they say is cruel and makes dogs more aggressive. The maximum tying-up time ranges from one to four hours. We asked our readers if this should be common sense, or if a crackdown on cruelty is in order.

1 How long should you be allowed to leave your dog outside on a leash (in decent weather)?


19% Up to one hour
14% There doesn't need to be a law
14% Up to two hours
9% Four hours or more
44% It's never OK to leave dogs out unsupervised

2 What should the penalty be for people who tether dogs outside for extended periods?

41% A fine of more than $100
16% A doggy parenting class
13% A fine of less than $100
8% A short jail term
8% Lock them up and throw away the key!
14% Other

Second-time offenders should not be allowed to keep animals.

Tie them outside to see how they feel!

3 What should people do with their dogs when they need to leave them alone?

52% Leave them in the house (within reason)
11% Leave them with a dog sitter
10% Get family or friends to check in
9% Put them in doggy daycare
9% Leave them in a fenced yard with plenty of food, water and shelter
1% Tie them up
8% Other

When it's warm, our dog loves to be outside most of the day.

No longer than eight hours without being checked on.

Crate training is safe and effective if your dog can't be trusted in the house.

WE ASKED Metro readers

metroview

Fentanyl is a side-effect of overdosing on abstinence

Tim Querengesser
Metro | Edmonton

I'm an addict. The addiction started at 15, and though I've lived long periods free of it, I've never beat it. Every time I've quit without medicine or counselling, I've relapsed.

My addiction is nicotine, and like most dependencies, it won't kill me if smoke again — which evidence shows is likely.

But let's flip the script: If I were physically addicted to, say, fentanyl, 50 times more powerful than heroin, and I quit and relapsed the same way I've done with tobacco, the outcome could be tragic.

As with all opioids people abuse, public-health workers see that heavy users often get clean through abstinence treatment, but then relapse.

Going clean lowers tolerance, so using again puts a person at an extremely high risk of overdose and death.

That the stakes are this high makes what's happening with fentanyl treatment in Alberta a wake-up call for the rest of Canada: It's beyond time we put aside the morality-based abstinence ideal and follow what science shows works: methadone and suboxone. Experts says these medications cut cravings, treat withdrawal symptoms, prevent relapse and save lives.

So far in 2015, 213 Alberta deaths have been attributed to fentanyl, with 55 in the Edmonton zone.

But troublingly, several reports have shown that the number of people on methadone treatment in Alberta is down, and there are month-long waiting lists to get in.

Elaine Hyshka, a PhD student in the School of Public Health at the University of Alberta, said the problem is complex and not about indifference or political will.

She explained it's partly due to a shortage of doctors licensed to prescribe methadone and suboxone in Alberta, and limited incentives to get them to earn the license. Since the opioid crisis has grown, few doctors will want to prescribe methadone or suboxone, as they'll quickly be overwhelmed with patients.

As Metro Edmonton has reported, mothers of fentanyl users have been desperate to find their children treatment beds — cut access to the drug, goes the thinking, and they'll live another day.

It works, short term. But, Hyshka said, most of Alberta's in-patient addiction beds are abstinence based, and don't include methadone or suboxone. That's a very big problem.

So too is the fact that most in the addictions treatment community saw this situation coming, with the 2012 removal of OxyContin from the market in Alberta.

There was already an opioid problem here, she said, and removing a popular pill didn't kill demand — it just shifted it to a drug that's far more lethal.

The same applies to methadone and suboxone: The demand is there, and abstinence is being used in substitution. It's time that stopped, before more people die.

Fighting climate change makes cities awesome

TORY'S TORONTO

Matt Elliott

Mayor John Tory is off to Paris this week to talk climate change with other mayors and a gaggle of very important people.

It's all part of the United Nations' COP21 hullabaloo that's supposed to strengthen strategies on reducing greenhouse gas emissions worldwide.

It's good he's going.

Not just because addressing climate change is important

This is no longer about taking action to improve quality of life. It's about taking action to ensure life itself.

to ensuring we don't all get swept away by rising ocean tides. And not just because — whether they're ready for it or not — the world's cities are going to end up playing a key role in implementing the strategies dreamed up by world leaders.

It's important because, in places like Toronto, the fight against climate change could actually be kind of awesome.

That might seem counter-intuitive, but it's not. Piles of evidence on the subject of reducing greenhouse gas emissions all point to urbanization and city building as part of the solution for climate change.

Last Thursday, I moderated a panel discussion put on by TransformTO, a City of Toronto initiative tasked with — no pressure — coming up with ideas on how to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80 per cent by 2050. One of the panelists, University of Toronto professor Marianne Hatzopoulou, came armed with data showing household emissions across the GTA.

The conclusion? Households with the biggest carbon footprints are those way outside the downtown core. They're the people who travel long distances to get anywhere. They're the ones who have to drive — an activity that, according to city stats, makes up 41 per cent of Toronto's greenhouse gas emissions.

To curb that, Toronto and other cities need to get serious about encouraging dense, urban living.

And that means infrastructure. It means effective, electric public transit capable of comfortably moving lots of people. It means bike lanes that are safe and welcoming, and streets designed so that pedestrians can move about without getting hit by cars at an alarming rate.

It means a housing strategy that sees affordable homes built in places that allow more people to get to work without driving.

It means green spaces. It means flood protection in the form of really nice parks. And it means trees. So many trees.

For a lot of us, this is all stuff we've been demanding for years anyway. But with climate change as a motivator, the conversation can shift. This is no longer about taking action to improve quality of life. It's about taking action to ensure life itself.

With so much at stake, I'm glad Tory will be in Paris. And when he returns, I hope he'll be ready to seriously talk about aggressive implementation of strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

The world needs it — and, done right, our city will be a better place because of it.

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Give more with maker-made gifts

Holiday shopping doesn't have to be a mindless retail rush. Metro found five Canadian marketplaces that offer carefully curated selections of handmade products from near and far that benefit the artisans, the environment and developing nations. For mindful gift-giving made easy, visit these sites **Henrietta Walmark** METRO LIFE

FAR & WIDE COLLECTIVE

Fill more than your own basket

"I think people should feel much more comfortable buying a product from us than investing in a charity. I think it is more efficient," says Far & Wide founder Hedvig Alexander in a video on the company website. Alexander spent more than 15 years working in development in conflict zones where she saw craftspeople struggling to grow their small businesses. She created Far & Wide to help artisans in developing nations connect with buyers around the world.

The Wave Basket, crafted in Ghana, makes an elegant statement as an art object but can also be put to practical use as small storage. **farandwidecollective.ca**

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SONDER MILL

Tip the balance

Scott Miller discovered maker communities during a global backpacking trip. Four months and 15 countries later, Miller returned home to Toronto, and kept travelling. This time he sought out makers across North American and launched Sonder Mill. The online marketplace carries 2,000 ethically-made, small batch and one-off items by 200 Canadian and American makers.

We love Sonder Mill's handpainted paddles and their leather growler carriers but the balancing trick of this wine bottle stand made from reclaimed barn board will bring a smile to everyone's face. **sondermill.com**

Son of a Woodcutter wine bottle stand, $33.43 (price includes shipping)

HOW DOES THE STAND WORK?
It looks like magic, but simple physics and centre of balance do the trick. It even works with an empty bottle, but we suggest pairing the stand with a bottle of regional wine to make an eco-complete gift.

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The Toronto-based duo's lovingly sourced collection includes toys, scarves, jewellery — their beaded wrap bracelets made in Guatemala are gorgeous — and these cozy and colourful traditional Bosnian slipper socks that will keep toes toasty all winter long. **unikati.ca**

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Country music's bumpy, wild ride

TEBEY OTTOH

Singer still grinding away despite early Nashville success

MCA Records signed Tebey Ottoh to a development deal at 15 years old, but by the time he was 20, it was all gone. So he turned to songwriting, penning songs for the likes of One Direction and Cher. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Tebey Ottoh wasn't old enough to drive when he first managed to get his boot in the door of Nashville's impregnable country scene, and he certainly wasn't old enough to understand his luck.

He was 14 when he won a country singing contest in Simcoe, Ont., a competition he had previously conquered as young as six. This time, the prize included studio time in Toronto, which the adolescent Ottoh used to craft his debut demo.

Naively, he mailed it to the record companies in Nashville and waited. "Everyone knows that's not how you get a record deal," he recalled, sipping a vodka and Red Bull at the Rock 'n' Horse Saloon in Toronto. "Those things just go in the garbage."

In Ottoh's case, however, the demo caught the ear of the president of MCA Records, who summoned the teen to Nashville and promptly signed him to a development deal.

"I'm thinking as a 15-year-old kid: 'Wow. That was really easy.'"

The next 17 years would prove him wrong.

His solo career would suffer several false starts and supposed finishes, and before he would get the chance to write songs for One Direction, Cher or, well, himself, he would have to prove exactly how much he wanted it.

Early on, however, music came naturally. The son of an engineer born in Nigeria who met his mother on a soccer scholarship at Trent University, Ottoh began singing in church at age five.

It was with his father that he shuffled to Music City, with the rest of his family remaining in Burlington, Ont.

By 17, he had shifted to a different record label, but the opportunities were no less abundant.

He had an American publishing deal, a star producer (Bob Rock) and a famously tenacious manager (Bruce Allen).

It amounted to almost nothing. "I had everything I could have ever dreamed of as an artist at 17 years old," he said.

"And by the time I was 20, it was all gone. I lost my record deal. I lost my publishing deal. I parted ways with Bruce. That brought me back down to earth pretty quick."

It also brought Ottoh back to Canada, where he was dejected but undeterred. Soon, he found that he could extract more mileage by putting his songs into the hands (or voices) of others.

He wrote music for Canadian Idol and hits started trickling in: Run for Rex Goudie, Let's Go for Shawn Desman.

He then received a call from his old Nashville buddy, John Rich, one half of Big & Rich. Coming off two platinum albums, Big & Rich wanted to record Ottoh's song Radio on their next album.

With that, Ottoh shuttled back to Tennessee and there he began scattering hits to every part of the musical field.

He penned tunes for One Direction, Cher, Flo Rida, Pixie Lott and Emerson Drive. Even here, his dogged nature stood out.

"Sometimes you'll sit down with a writer and they want to get that song done today," said Emerson Drive guitarist Danick Dupelle. "Not him. He doesn't settle for the easy way out."

Despite his success, however, Ottoh wasn't content filtering his compositions through other voices.

He went solo again, his first name only, with 2012's appropriately titled The Wait, then 2014's Two. The former managed to chart only one song, but he's had more traction since: his past six singles have all placed in Canadian country radio's Top 40.

The last two years in a row, Ottoh was nominated for the Rising Star trophy at the CCMAs.

The moniker might seem absurd for an artist nearing his 20th year, but it's also, in a way, fitting.

"Some people shoot to the top very quickly," he said. "Others have to grind it out. And I feel that I'm going to grind it out."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

RATINGS

Vast majority of TV viewing live: Report

Even though the overwhelming majority of Canadians still watch live TV, a new study says there has been "rapid" growth in people accessing video on demand through their service providers.

Canadian audience measurement firm Numeris released a report Friday which found about 90 per cent of overall viewing is still live — a broadcast over the air or through cable — as compared with on demand.

But the findings also noted a shift in how younger demographics are watching television.

"Services such as video on demand are relatively new offerings in Canada, but they have been steadily on the rise," the report said.

"Catch-up viewing is growing rapidly, especially for the younger age groups."

In the study, video on demand was considered anything viewed through either a set-top box or a broadcaster's website or smartphone app. It conducted the study with its radio and TV panel of 5,000 households, made up of 11,000 individuals more than two years old.

Numeris did not consider other sources, such as video streaming services like Netflix and Shomi or illegal online downloads, which are harder to accurately track.

90%

Canadians still watch television live — about 90 per cent — over those who access shows using VOD, according to report.

The most common VOD users were women 25 to 49 years old, with a job, and children under 12 years.

In the United States, many cable channels have been shifting away from determining a TV show's success by its "same-day" ratings numbers, arguing that advertisers should pay based on the popularity of shows over several days of VOD availability.

Last week, Fox became the first of the big U.S. networks to stop providing "same-day" ratings to the public.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

JOHANNA SCHNELLER WHAT I'M WATCHING

Privilege and the pervert

MOMENT

The Knick puts entitlement on the operating table

The Knick: Season 2, Episode 2 (TMN)

It's the early 1900s, and Herman Barrow (Jeremy Bobb), the greedy administrator of New York's gritty Knickerbocker Hospital, has made a deal with a whorehouse owner: He can sneak in girls for treatments in exchange for kickbacks. Barrow knows Nurse Elkins (Eve Hewson) will be discreet; he's got dirt on her.

But what about the doctor — grey-haired, genteel — who's just popped into the room unexpectedly? The doctor regards the whores. Barrow and Elkins hold their breath.

"Such lovely ladies," the doctor coos, choosing one to sit on the examining table. Elkins brings him stirrups. "Oh, I don't need those, they can put their legs on my shoulders," he says, jolly as Santa Claus.

"I don't need swabs either, a close look and a good nose are enough."

Eeewww.

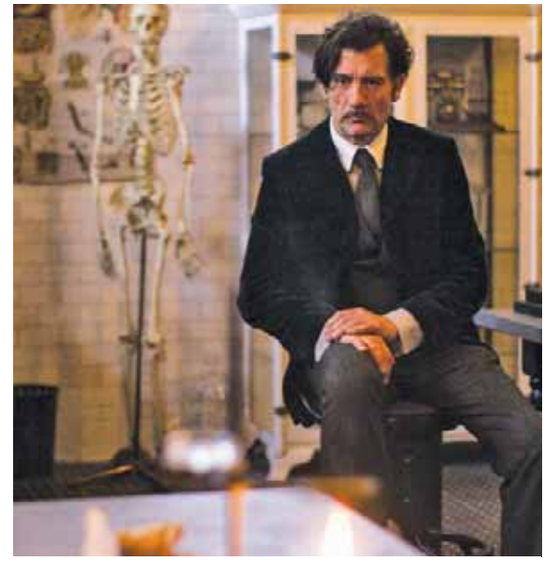
This series revels in the gore of early 20th-century medicine — there's always a jagged bone on display, a rotting patch of skin to drain.

The lead character, Dr. John Thackery (Clive Owen) — not the doctor in this scene — may be a brilliant surgeon, but he's also a sweat-soaked dope addict.

The grotesqueries that director Steven Soderbergh (who helms every episode) and his writers are really exposing, though, are those of human behaviour: not only chauvinism, but also racism and classism.

Because The Knick takes in all patients, from destitute immigrants to high society, characters like the jolly doctor can demean others with casual entitlement.

Soderbergh's point, of course, is that demeaning is still rampant. Less overtly displayed, perhaps, but putrid nonetheless.



Clive Owen plays Dr. John Thackery, a "sweat-soaked dope addict" on Steven Soderbergh's The Knick. CONTRIBUTED

The Knick can be seen on demand at TMN GO. New episodes can be seen Fridays at 11 p.m. on HBO Canada.

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CAREERS

How children see the future of work

Polycom and the Global Nomads Group asked 25 middle schoolers from around the world what they expected their working lives to be like in the future. ISTOCK

Virtual-reality press trips, mobile offices, Skype meetings: what's the workplace of the future going to be like?

Video-conferencing specialist Polycom, in collaboration with Global Nomads Group, which connects classrooms from around the world through technology, put that question to 25 middle schoolers earlier this month. The students conferenced in from classrooms in New York City, Pakistan, Jordan and Thailand. Here's what they said.

Offices will be more global

With the word becoming more connected — all the students taking part in the videoconference had Facebook — it makes sense that young people would expect the workplace of the future to demand collaboration with different countries and cultures.

"In general, we're not doing a really good job in our schools preparing our students for that," says Chris Plutte, executive director of Global Nomads Group.

"Through our programs, we're trying to give young people this opportunity to collaborate and connect with other kids throughout the world to prepare them for success."

They can work from anywhere

Just as the idea of dealing with — and even travelling to — other cultures may seem natural to them, the thought of being stuck in a physical office, or tied to a particular company, for the whole of their working life is anathema.

"It's not about where you work, but it's about what you do," says Laura Owen, chief human resources officer at Polycom. (Which given our increasingly freelance economy, and focus on work-life balance, is probably smart.)

We'll be interacting with holograms

One student from New York said he was hoping that the future workplace would include holograms. But he may not have been far off.

"We just did our first 3D video for doctors, of an open-heart surgery, which was projected for medical students," says Owen.

"So holograms may be in our near future."

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WORLD WEALTH

Tina Turner, Ikea family top Swiss billionaire list

Morose economic growth and a turbulent stock market have not stopped Switzerland's super rich from getting a lot richer this year, a report showed Friday.

In its annual analysis of the fortunes of Switzerland's 300 richest people, the Bilan magazine said the exclusive club, including the likes of rock and soul legend Tina Turner, have swelled their combined wealth by six billion Swiss francs ($5.8 billion) to reach a record $772 billion.

Topping the list for the 14th year in a row was the family of Ikea founder Ingvar Kamprad, who this year count an accumulated fortune of between $57 and $58 billion — two billion more than last year. Kamprad, 89, moved back to his native Sweden in 2013, but his two sons who run the flat-pack furniture empire remain in Switzerland and hold Swiss nationality.

AFP

Saving smarts run in the family, so walk the talk

ROLE MODEL

What lessons are you passing on to your kids about money?

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada

Life offers you lots of opportunities to teach your children how money works, what they can do with it, and the place it should have in their lives. ISTOCK

Whether you're actively teaching your children about money and the role it should play in their lives, or not, they are learning from you.

When you tell them to save 50 per cent of what they get in birthday money or of what they earn on their paper route or working at the grocery store, you're sending signals.

Do you save 50 per cent of your income? Then why do you expect your children to do that?

Do you save anything at all? If you don't save, if you don't talk about savings and making them grow, your children will learn from you that saving isn't important.

If you follow trends, try to emulate what you see on TV or in glossy magazines, or compare yourself to your friends, your family or your neighbours, you can't then turn to your children and say, "Don't give in to peer pressure."

What do you want your children to know about money and the role it should play in their lives?

- More is better OR enough is a good thing.
- Richer is better OR a life well lived is what we are striving for.
- Pay it off tomorrow OR we don't spend money we haven't earned yet.

With all the blah blah blah about financial literacy of late, there's been a big push to put money lessons into the school curriculum. Let me save you some disappointment. It won't work.

Remember the food pyramid? That's being taught at school, which is why we no longer have a child-obesity problem. Oh, wait …

Despite learning about which foods are healthiest, if mommy and daddy serve up a hot dog, a bag of chips and a can of pop for lunch, what do you think kids learn?

Life offers you lots of opportunities to teach your children how money works, what they can do with it, and the place it should have in their lives. From grocery shopping to back-to-school shopping, from allowances for learning to paid chores for earning, you can use all the experiences kids have in their day-to-day lives to teach about money.

If you're afraid because you don't know where to start or what to say, or you're worried you might get it wrong, don't worry so much. You are already your kids' best teacher. They look to you for their sense of who they are and where they fit in the world. They count on you to guide them through the rough waters of making and keeping friends, building relationships, coping with the world at large. They trust you.

Besides, most of what you have to teach isn't that complicated. Is it so hard to teach the idea that money is an exhaustible resource, and when you spend it it's gone? How about that you have to make choices about what you do with your money? Or my fav: You can't spend money you don't have.

If you don't have all your financial ducks in a row, time to clean up your mess. You can't use the old "do as I say, not as I do" because kids will catch you out. Walk the talk if you want your children to learn the right lessons from you. These are lessons well worth learning … even for you.

For more money advice, visit Gail's website at gailvazoxlade.com

> **There's been a big push to put money lessons into the school curriculum. Let me save you some disappointment. It won't work.**

Tyson Fury defeated Wladimir Klitschko by unanimous decision to end the Ukrainian's 9.5-year reign as heavyweight boxing champion

Eskimos put Grey Cup on ice

CFL

Redblacks denied their first league championship

Jordan Lynch's one-yard touchdown run with 3:17 remaining rallied the Edmonton Eskimos to an exciting 26-20 Grey Cup win over the Ottawa Redblacks on Sunday night.

Lynch successfully converted the third-and-one situation to cap a five-play, 78-yard drive. Quarterback Mike Reilly's three-yard pass to Akeem Shavers for the two-point convert erased a 20-18 advantage.

The drive was aided by Edmonton head coach Chris Jones challenging an incompletion that was ultimately changed to pass interference against Ottawa's Brandon Sermons. That gave the Eskimos the ball at the Redblacks' 10-yard line.

It was a dramatic finish for the Investors Group Field sellout of 36,634, the second-smallest Grey Cup attendance since 1975. It was the fourth time the CFL title game was played in Manitoba, and the first since 2006.

Edmonton secured its first Grey Cup title since 2005 and 14th overall in a record 25th appearance. Only Toronto (16) has won more.

SUNDAY In Winnipeg

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The Eskimos also finished the season registering their 10th straight win, all coming after Reilly returned as the club's starter. He suffered a knee injury in Edmonton's season-opening loss to Toronto.

It was a bitter ending to the season for Ottawa, appearing in its first Grey Cup since a 26-23 loss to Edmonton in 1981. The city's last CFL championship came in 1976 with the former Rough Riders.

The contest was a defensive battle, especially in the second half as Edmonton outscored Ottawa just 9-4. But after falling behind 13-0 early in the first quarter, the Eskimos outscored the Redblacks 26-7.

Edmonton players receive $16,000 for the win while the Redblacks get $8,000 apiece. The game-time temperature was -5 C but the 15-kilometre-an-hour wind created a windchill of -10 C.

Jones compiled a 26-10 regular-season record over his two seasons as Edmonton's head coach. Now the question remains how long he'll remain with reports the Saskatchewan Roughriders will ask permission to speak with Jones about their vacant head coach and GM positions.

This Grey Cup game was indeed a matchup of the best teams in the East and West Divisions. Ottawa (12-6) finished atop the Eastern conference after winning just two games in its inaugural 2014 season while Edmonton (14-4) finished tied with Calgary for the league's best record but secured top spot in the standings based after winning the season series with the Stampeders.

The Redblacks' Grey Cup appearance capped an amazing transformation for the franchise. On Thursday, head coach Rick Campbell (coach of the year), quarterback Henry Burris (outstanding player), receiver Brad Sinopoli (top Canadian) and SirVincent Rogers (lineman) were honoured at the league's awards banquet.

But Ottawa finished 0-3 versus Edmonton this year, the first two losses coming in July with Reilly on injured list.

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Quarterback Mike Reilly hoists the Grey Cup after the Eskimos captured their 14th championship on Sunday in Winnipeg. NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

MVP

Mike Reilly was named the game's most valuable player upon completing 21 of 35 pass attempts for 269 yards and two touchdowns. Edmonton's Shamawd Chambers was named the Canadian MVP.

AHL IN BRIEF

IceCaps smother Marlies

Morgan Ellis, Bud Holloway and Charles Hudon had a goal and two assists each as the St. John's IceCaps topped the Toronto Marlies 5-1 on Sunday in American Hockey League play.

Daniel Carr and Mark MacMillan also scored for St. John's (11-5-5), the AHL affiliate of the Montreal Canadiens. Zachary Fucale made 37 saves for the win.

T.J. Brennan replied for the Marlies (15-5-1) in their loss at home.

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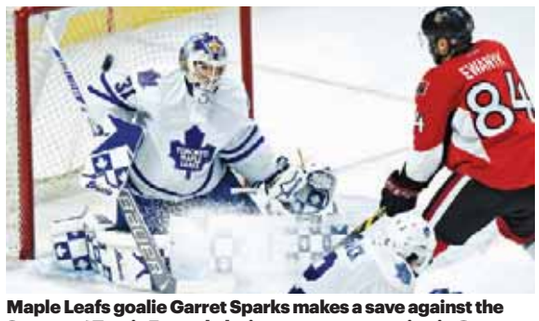
NHL

Leafs grant rookie netminder his big-league debut



Maple Leafs goalie Garret Sparks makes a save against the Senators' Travis Ewanyk during pre-season action in Ottawa on Sept. 21. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

By all accounts, Garret Sparks is as nice a person as you'll meet, a goalie who has worked tirelessly on his game and his fitness since July, now in the perfect spot to make his NHL debut.

There's much more to it than that, but Sparks' long-awaited opportunity for a crack at his first NHL game comes Monday when the Maple Leafs face the Edmonton Oilers.

"Mike (Babcock) told me after practice today (Sunday), so I'm trying not to get ahead of myself, just keep a very even keel and play my best hockey," an excited Sparks said.

> **Is he ready? We'll find out.**
> Mike Babcock

The Leafs head coach handed him the goalie reigns with Jonathan Bernier struggling and James Reimer not fully recovered from a lower-body injury.

Placing a raw rookie with no NHL experience in net over Bernier outlines just how far the latter has fallen this season.

Bernier politely requested to take a break from commenting to the media, and no one could blame him. He struggled again in Saturday's loss to Washington, hasn't won a game in his last 19 starts dating back to last season and now ranks third on the goalie depth chart behind the untested Sparks.

Bernier also has lost the confidence of his coach, who has given him repeated opportunities to bag the No. 1 status. So Babcock finally has acted.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Raptors' four-game streak dries up against bright Suns

NBA

Teletovic and Bledsoe hit 20 leaving Toronto chasing game

There would be no late-game heroics for the Toronto Raptors on Sunday.

DeMar DeRozan poured in 29 points, and DeMarre Carroll added 20, but the Raptors saw their four-game winning streak end against the Phoenix Suns in a 107-102 loss.

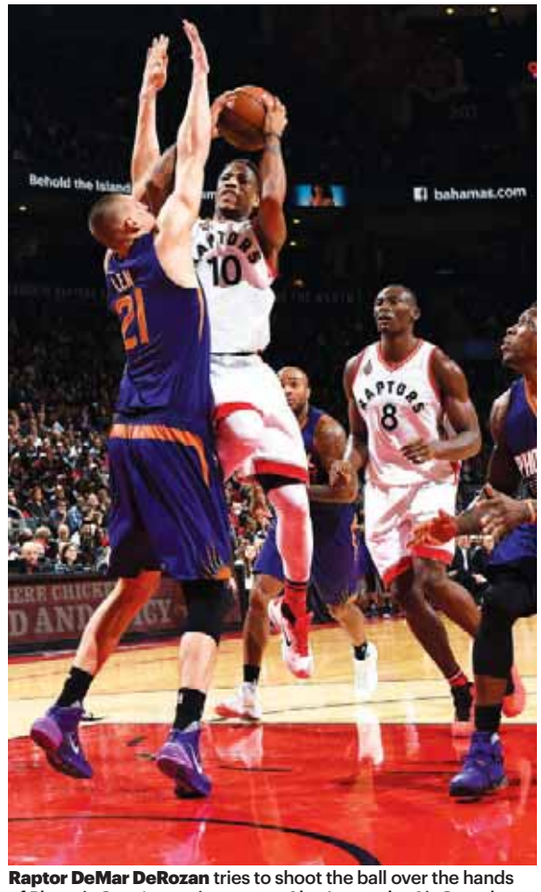
"We've got to stop putting ourself in a tough predicament, (having to) find our way out when we don't have much time to," said DeRozan, who tied his season-high in scoring. "We find ourselves in that position a little bit too much."

"Doing the dirty work, the gritty work are things we have to do."
Raps' coach Dwane Casey

The Raptors were coming off back-to-back big wins, beating LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers at the Air Canada Centre with a huge fourth-quarter effort, and then edging the Wizards on a Cory Joseph buzzer-beater Saturday night in Washington.

But it wasn't to be in Sunday night's messy affair that saw the Suns outscore the Raptors 46-36 in the paint and 14-7 on second-chance points. The Suns' bench outscored Toronto's 51-25.

"Doing the dirty work, the gritty work are things we have to do," Raptors coach Dwane Casey said. "We have to learn from our mistakes and (Saturday) night it was our turnovers, tonight was containing the ball, shrinking the paint and keeping the paint tight."



Raptor DeMar DeRozan tries to shoot the ball over the hands of Phoenix Suns' towering center Alex Len at the Air Canada Centre in Toronto. RON TURENNE/NBAE VIA GETTY IMAGES

Mirza Teletovic and Eric Bledsoe led the Suns (8-9) with 20 points apiece. Kyle Lowry added 17 points and eight assists for the Raptors (11-7), while Joseph and Luis Scola had nine points each.

Toronto trailed by as many as 12 points in the first half, and the Suns took an 81-72 lead into the fourth quarter in front of an ACC crowd that included Chris Colabello of the Toronto Blue Jays, who hurled signed mini basketballs into the crowd.

The Raptors rallied in the fourth, and looked poised to pull out another victory, and when Joseph launched a three with just under five minutes to play, it pulled the Raptors to within two points.

DeRozan scored on a reverse layup on Toronto's next possession to tie the game 95-95 with 4:04 on the clock.

Down by three with 12 seconds to play, Bledsoe blocked a Scola three-pointer to seal the Suns' victory.

"It was a busted play," Casey said — Lowry was the intended shooter. Carroll said he thought fatigue on the second night of back-to-back games was a factor.

"We used a lot of energy to try and get back into the game," he said. "We had some bonehead mistakes, and I think we really lost that game instead of them beating us."

James Johnson, who made headlines earlier in the week when he tweeted his discontent over his playing time the day after the Cleveland game, had eight points in 11 energetic minutes.

The Raptors trailed by six early in the game, but back-to-back threes pulled them even with the Suns. Phoenix took a 21-18 lead into the second.

The Suns stretched their lead to 12 points in the second, but the Raptors would roar back with a 16-2 run to go up 49-47. The Suns led 53-49 at halftime.

The game was tied seven minutes into the third but the Suns outscored the Raptors 20-11 to end the frame, and took a nine-point advantage into the fourth.

The Raptors are in Atlanta on Wednesday, then back home to host the Denver Nuggets on Thursday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Hornets 87, Bucks 82
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Nets 87, Pistons 83
Grizzlies 92, 76ers 84

Suns' Eric Bledsoe hit 20 points. GETTY IMAGES

TENNIS

Davis Cup wait ends for Britain

With one perfect lob, Andy Murray ended eight decades of Davis Cup frustration for Britain.

By beating David Goffin 6-3, 7-5, 6-3 on Sunday, Murray secured Britain's 3-1 victory over Belgium in the Davis Cup final and ended a drought for the country dating back to 1936.

The 79-year gap is the longest between titles in Davis Cup history. "I can't believe we did it," Murray said on court. "We may never get an opportunity to do this again. We should celebrate tonight." Murray won all three points for Britain over the weekend and with his team holding an unassailable lead in the best-of-five series the final singles match was not played.

Britain is the only nation to have competed in all Davis Cup editions since 1900 and its 10th title makes it the third most successful nation after the United States (32) and Australia (28). But the last time it won the team competition, Fred Perry was its star. Britain last played in the final in 1978.

After hitting the backhand lob that clinched the match, Murray fell on his back on the clay at the Flanders Expo arena while his teammates piled atop him before being hoisted by the other British players and coaches. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Andy Murray lifted up by his team after winning. GETTY IMAGES

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SKIING IN BRIEF

Norway's Lund wins super-G
Norway's Aksel Lund Svindal won the super-G on Sunday to sweep the two opening World Cup races at Lake Louise in Alberta. Svindal finished in 1 minute, 29.30 seconds, a day after winning the downhill. He missed most of last season because of a torn Achilles tendon.

Austria's Matthias Mayer was second in 1:29.65. Italy's Peter Fill of Italy, second in the downhill, was third in 1:29.75. American Travis Ganong was fourth at 1:29.81. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

USA's Shiffrin dominates World Cup slalom in Aspen
Mikaela Shiffrin won back-to-back World Cup slalom races in Aspen, overcoming an early mistake in her final run Sunday to easily clinch victory.

The American, 20, finished in 1 minute, 40.18 seconds, beating Frida Hansdotter of Sweden by 2.65 seconds. Sarka Strachova of Czech Republic was third and 2.90 back. Those were the only two competitors close to the reigning Olympic and world slalom champion. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

BIATHLON

Crawford and Smith win silver for Canada

Canada's Rosanna Crawford and Nathan Smith teamed up to win the silver medal in the season-opening single mixed relay on Sunday at a biathlon (cross-country skiing and shooting) World Cup event. Crawford, from Canmore, Alta., and Calgary's Smith, clocked a time of 36:40.5.

Norway finished 11.9 seconds ahead of the Canadians in a see-saw affair to take the top spot on the podium with a time of 36:27.3. Smith won the sprint for the silver, forcing the Germans into the bronze-medal position with a time of 36:40.5.

"This is a really great way to start the season."
Nathan Smith

"We knew there was lots of potential in this race so it feels good to deliver," said Crawford. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Kobe calling it a career

Seventeen-time NBA all-star Kobe Bryant **has announced that his 20th season will be his last.** JEFF CHIU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA

Lakers great Bryant set to retire at end of this season

Kobe Bryant of the Los Angeles Lakers has decided to retire after this season.

The 37-year-old Bryant made the announcement in a post on The Players' Tribune on Sunday. The decision was not totally unexpected, given that Bryant has said many times in recent weeks that he was considering making his 20th NBA season his last.

There's no more wondering now. After two decades, two Olympic gold medals, five championship rings, 17 All-Star selections, an 81-point game that ranks as the second-best in NBA history and more than 32,000 points, Bryant's career is officially winding down.

"This season is all I have left to give," Bryant said in what he called a letter entitled "Dear Basketball."

Bryant said in an interview on Sirius XM Radio just last week that "if something changes," he would come back and play next season. Only a few days later, that's apparently no longer an option.

"My heart can take the pounding. My mind can handle the grind. But my body knows it's time to say goodbye," Bryant wrote in the post. "And that's OK. I'm ready to let you go. I want you to know now. So we both can savour every moment we have left together. The good and the bad. We have given each other all that we have."

Bryant ranks third on the NBA's career scoring list, and only 13 players in league history played on more championship teams. Bryant helped the Lakers to titles in 2000, 2001, 2002, 2009 and 2010.

"Kobe Bryant is one of the greatest players in the history of our game," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said.

"I join Kobe's millions of fans around the world in congratulating him on an outstanding NBA career and thank him for so many thrilling memories."

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NFL

Bengals return to early-season form

SUNDAY in Cincinnati

BENGALS	RAMS
31	7

As the touchdown passes and interceptions piled up, it felt like a throwback game for the Bengals.

Andy Dalton threw three touchdown passes — two to A.J. Green — and Cincinnati emerged from its brief skid with an effort reminiscent of its perfect first half of the season, beating the St. Louis Rams 31-7 on Sunday.

After dropping a pair of close prime-time games, the Bengals (9-2) were back in sync against a team that struggles to score and keep up. The 31 points equalled the second-most against St. Louis this season.

In addition to Dalton's three touchdowns, the Bengals had three interceptions, including one that Leon Hall returned for a touchdown.

"I felt like we played well in all phases of the game," Dalton said. "It's good to get a win, and it's good to get a win the way we did."

The Rams (4-7) have dropped four in a row, in large part because their offence ranks last in the league in passing.

They switched quarterbacks last week, but Case Keenum got a head injury during a 16-13 loss in Baltimore and was limited in practice.

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

You don't need to be getting married to enjoy this hearty, comforting soup.

Ready in
Prep time: 20 minutes
Serves 4

Ingredients
- 1/2 lb ground turkey
- 3 Tbsp bread crumbs or panko
- 1 Tbsp grated Parmesan
- 2 cloves garlic, minced and divided
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 onion, finely chopped
- 2 carrots, chopped into 1/4-inch disks
- 1 tsp finely chopped fresh rosemary
- 6 cups low-sodium chicken broth
- 1 Parmesan cheese rind
- 3/4 cup orzo
- 1 head of spinach, chopped into ribbons
- Salt and pepper to taste

Directions
1. Preheat your oven to 375 F.
2. In a large bowl, mix turkey, bread crumbs, grated cheese and half of the garlic until well combined. Roll into 1-inch balls. Place meatballs on a baking sheet and bake for 10 minutes.
3. In a large pot, warm olive oil over medium heat. Add onion and carrots and soften for about 3 minutes. Add the remaining garlic and rosemary and cook for another minute.
4. Add broth and the rind of Parmesan. Simmer for 7 minutes.
5. Add the orzo and continue to simmer for 6 minutes. Carefully add the meatballs to the soup and allow to simmer for 4 minutes. Toss in the spinach and stir. Serve with grated Parmesan.

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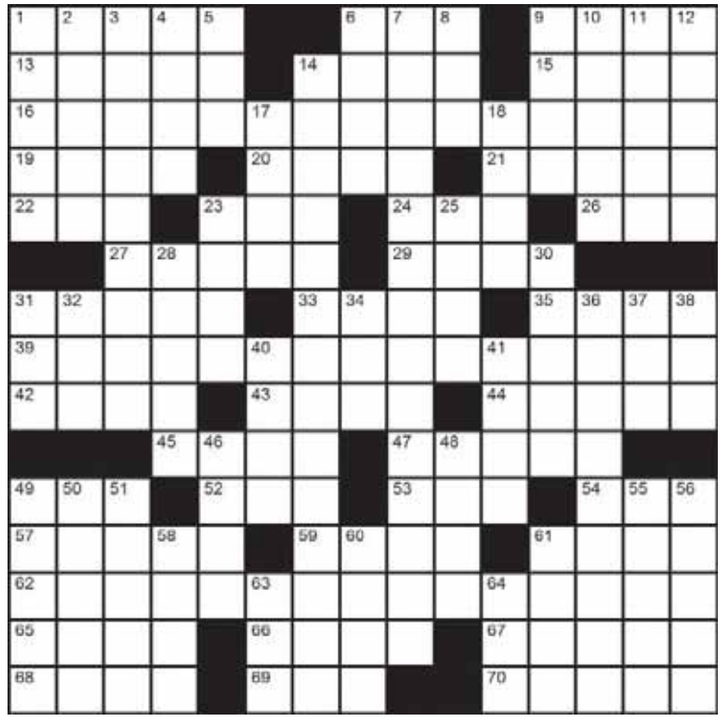

ACROSS
1. Aussie singer Ms. Goodrem
6. Mr. Hope
9. Pencil stubs
13. Self-evident truth
14. Movie studio
15. Maureen Forrester piece
16. _-_ _ (Prime Minister Mackenzie King's portrait is on the front of it)
19. Skedaddle
20. "So this ain't the _ _ saw you again, today..." - Heart, "Barracuda"
21. Hydro bill factor
22. Affirmative
23. Grad cap wearer's honour, briefly
24. Bird's beak
26. Skirt's finished edge
27. Burglar
29. There's none during a blackout [abbr.]
31. Cheque recipient
33. Siberian city
35. Roman's 1502
39. What websites do on Cyber Monday: 2 wds.
42. Nest locale
43. Prefix with 'sphere'
44. Brian of Canadian figure skating
45. "_ Bridges" ('90s series starring Don Johnson)
47. Deluxe
49. '25' for Adele
52. Alkali
53. Rihanna's "_ de Replay"
54. Kitchen utens.
57. Ancient Greek city-state
59. Foremost
61. Itty-bitty bit
62. Shorebird that breeds at a similar-sounding (to the answer's first word) Bay in Canada: 2 wds.
65. Hollywood star
66. Annoyance
67. Pumps parts
68. Denizen of Denmark
69. Oom-_ (Tuba sound)
70. "When Harry Met _..." (1989)

DOWN
1. Duck pal for Bugs Bunny
2. Deport
3. Modus vivendi
4. Hold a handbag
5. Ms. Schumer
6. Daring
7. Lots of it happens on Cyber Monday: 2 wds.
8. Not _ _ long shot
9. Captures
10. Dickensian schemer Mr. Heep
11. Hogwash
12. 1692's witchy vicinity
14. Celtic folk tune about a Cape Breton river: 4 wds.
17. '90s band, _-Lite
18. Contraption cartoonist Mr. Goldberg
23. Carpe _!
25. Ms. Gruning of "Casablanca" (1942)
28. Stage/film actress Ms. Hayes
30. Astronaut titles, e.g.
31. Calif. clock setting
32. Ireland's _ Lingus
34. Roman's 1900
36. Item for drying in the kitchen: 2 wds.
37. 'Real' suffix in England
38. Suffix with 'Court'
40. Simple
41. Sentence part
46. Moreover
48. Lengthy
49. Ladybug's louse-y lunch
50. Dutch cheese
51. Iowa city which is the setting of 1930 painting American Gothic
55. Tranquil
56. Fall guy
58. 1888 W.B. Yeats poem, The Lake _ of Innisfree
60. Oooh's friend
61. Notion
63. Tom Mulcair's pol. designation
64. Surnamesakes of Canadian actress Sandra

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

Aries March 21 - April 20
Don't tell people what you think they want to hear. They will notice if your words sound insincere. Tell the truth, no matter how much it might hurt.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
If you have fallen out with someone now is the time to kiss and make up. You will find just the right words to convey how much you regret any misunderstandings and they will go out of their way to say sorry too.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Don't push yourself harder than you need to. Cosmic activity in the area of your chart that governs wellbeing encourages you to share your workload. Partners and colleagues will help if you ask nicely.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Time is precious and you must not waste it. Certainly don't let others waste it. Focus your energy on activities that mean something to you.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
A rival seems to be getting the better of an argument but maybe your opinions are not as good as you thought they were. Check your facts carefully and be ready to admit that you were wrong.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
Not everyone can live up to your high standards so don't make a fuss if someone falls short today. They are more likely to respond to words of encouragement than to accusations that they are not trying hard enough.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Pay attention only to things that matter personally. If you let your mind wander you may lose to a rival who does not possess your abilities but knows the value of concentration.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Focus on what is important to the exclusion of everything else. You have wasted a lot of time on things that don't bring you closer to your goals.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You may be a bit more subdued than usual over the next few days but everything is relative and most likely by other peoples standards you will still be the life and soul of the party. On an inner level though questions need to be answered.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
You know what you like and what you dislike but as from today you will take a more relaxed attitude toward people who think, feel or act in ways you do not always agree with.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
This is an important time for your work and career and over the coming week you will get the chance to make an impression on employers. If you think your talents are being overlooked now is the time to speak up.

Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20
Your thinking will be deeper and wider over the next few days as you leave behind trivial matters and focus on what really counts. Also, try to worry less about money.

CONCEPTIS SUDOKU by Dave Green

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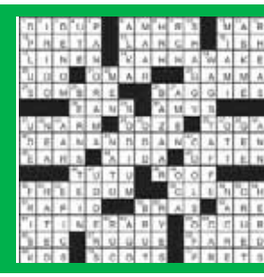

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